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DISCUSSION

11. (SBU) Poloff delivered reftel demarche on 11/4 to Cho Tae-ick, Director of MOFAT's Human Rights and Social Affairs Division, urging the ROK to vote against any resolution on the Goldstone Report that included counterproductive elements. Director Cho thanked us for the update on the USG position and said the ROK was similarly concerned that, broadly speaking, the UNGA discussion would "not be helpful" in getting the Peace Process back on track. Cho, who had just come from a meeting about the Goldstone Report, emphasized the ROK would again look to follow the EU's lead; it was unlikely, he acknowledged, that the EU would reach consensus about how to proceed. Cho pledged to relay our points immediately to the ROK UN Mission in New York. STEPHENS